

STATES' RIGHT TO REGULATE RATES UP IN U. S. COURT

Nation's High Tribunal Takes Up Question of Power of Local Commissions to Fix Rail Tariffs.

Washington, April 1.—The supreme court of the United States began today the consideration of the most perplexing problem presented to the tribunal during the present term—the so-called state railroad rate cases. Seven states are represented in the 48 cases—Missouri, Kentucky, West Virginia, Oregon, Minnesota, Arkansas and Ohio. In the final battle before the supreme court the attorney general and most of these states assisted by distinguished lawyers will be arrayed against the flower of the legal force retained by the railroads. In addition to the states represented in the cases a number of half-dozen other states will be represented in the litigation by briefs filed as friends of the court supporting the contentions of the attorney general. Many of the most important trunk lines are directly involved in the suits, but the outcome of the great legal conflict concerns practically all the railroads of the United States.

The importance with which these rate cases are regarded by the court itself is manifest from the fact that they have been advanced for hearing over the regular docket and twice assigned and postponed. They were to have been heard early during the present term but were held back when it became evident that other cases of the same kind would be submitted to the court. Later the death of Justice Harlan creating a vacancy on the bench was the occasion of further delay. The cases were finally reassigned for April 1 for hearing before a full bench. The assignment of Justice Pitney by the senate came just in time to prevent further delay.

Define Powers of States.

The question at issue is the definition of the powers of the states and the powers of the federal government in the regulation of interstate and intrastate commerce. This is presented in various forms. The Missouri state rate cases, 36 in all, include every railroad in the state. The Kentucky rate case arises out of a petition for an injunction by the Louisville and Nashville against an order of the railroad commission of the state. In the Oregon cases the Southern Pacific and the Oregon Railroad & Navigation company seek an injunction against similar orders. In others the cases are suits directed against state laws fixing maximum passenger and freight rates within the states. But in all of them the main question at issue is the same whether the attempt of the several states to regulate interstate commerce constitute an interference with interstate commerce.

In drawing the line where the powers of the federal government end and the powers of the state over commerce begin, any other questions are questions as perplexing must be determined. Even if it is determined that the states have authority to regulate commerce within their borders, without regard for the effect such regulation might have on interstate commerce it still must be determined whether the rates proposed by the state are so low as to be confiscatory. This raises the question how the reasonableness of the rate is to be determined, and involves such points as the valuation of the railroads and a fair return must be allowed under the constitution, the apportionments of expense and income between intrastate and interstate commerce.

Oregon Cases Involved.

The method in which the state regulation of commerce is alleged to interfere with interstate commerce is exemplified in the West Virginia case and the Oregon cases. The West Virginia law fixes a rate of two cents per mile for passenger traffic. The railroad holds that the cost is much greater and that through passengers can escape paying full interstate rate by purchasing tickets from point to point within the state as a part of their through journey. The Southern Pacific in the Oregon case contends that if it is obliged to lower the freight rates from Portland to points within the state it must necessarily reduce its interstate rate as most of the traffic from Portland is made up of freight from eastern points transhipped from Portland.

Among the host of perplexing minor questions are the manner of determining the extra cost for the conduct of intrastate business, the basis upon which expenses between intrastate and interstate commerce are to be divided, the proper basis for valuing railroads and the basis upon which this value shall be divided among the several states.

The carpenters' organization of Bakersfield, Cal., has collected nearly \$28,000 which is to be used for the erection of a labor temple.

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YUAN SHI KAI WOULD HAVE CHIEF SERVE 10 YEARS INSTEAD OF 7

Leader Argues That Country Should Not Be Disturbed by Too-Frequent Elections.

Peiping, April 1.—The Chinese president's term of office will be 10 years if Yuan Shi Kai has his way. The Republicans originally suggested seven, but Yuan says the country ought not to be disturbed by an election so often. He argues that the first man elected should be given time enough to get things thoroughly settled before he has to give way to a successor.

Yuan also proposes that the large provinces be entitled to eight votes in electoral representation, the medium ones to six and the smaller ones to four. He would count Inner and Outer Mongolia as two separate large provinces; Tibet, as medium, and Mohammedan districts as a small one.

Yuan sees good points in both the United States and French constitutions and would blend them to suit China's purpose with important modifications to adapt them to oriental needs.

Of course the national convention will decide all these points, but Yuan undoubtedly will have more to say on the matter than any other single individual, and may completely dominate the gathering.

Death Is Only Penalty.

Nanking, April 1.—The new government of China knows only one penalty for any offense—death. Since the Republic came into power they have introduced the innovation of trying accused criminals fairly. If the prosecution fails to establish a prisoner's guilt it costs him nothing to be acquitted, but if convicted of anything from petty larceny to high treason, the services either of a firing squad or the headsman are in requisition, and just as quickly as the condemned man can be hustled from the courtroom to the place of execution.

Leading Republicans say openly that they are too busy at present to bother with the management of penitentiaries, and inasmuch as some people have to be punished, they are being punished in the only way possible.

W. C. Day is manager of the company. Samples of milk and cream taken from cans in Day's store showed bacterial counts as high as 17,150,000. It is said. This is the greatest bacterial count ever recorded by the health department. The pure milk ordinance limits the legal number of bacteria that may exist in milk sold to the public at 200,000 per cubic centimeter.

Day came before the board today and made a plea to be permitted to continue in business. He said he had closed a deal by which he will establish a plant at Twelfth and Washington streets by the first of September. He admitted that the plant he maintains on Fourth street is not sanitary and is unsatisfactory even for business reasons.

Other cream plants that failed to make the required score last month are the Sunset, Swiss and East Side Sanitary companies.

RED FLAGS TORN FROM ANARCHIC HANDS' TRAMPLED
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The sheriff will close Finnish hall even if there is no raid there today and post a notice over the door. Late this morning the mob reorganized and began to parade the streets with signs and red flags. The flags were torn from their hands by police and citizens, torn and trampled in the gutter. The mob beat a retreat only to gather at the State mill again this noon where a show of force was made and the police were forced to use their clubs to beat back the rioters.

Although Company G, N. G. W. is not assembled it is ready for instant call to duty providing the governor gives the word. Telegraphic advice from Tacoma says that company C of that city is also ready for instant duty.

The woman barber arrested was taken by the police after she had made an inflammatory speech attacking citizens and officials and urging the mob to "kill the slave drivers and burn their homes."

Aberdeen Jail Nearly Full.
The jail is nearly full and it is expected that the strikers captured so far will be shipped out of town tonight in box cars as was done at Hoquiam this morning. Rumors that 100 men are en route here from Portland to reinforce the strikers are not given credence, at police headquarters. Citizens everywhere are hoisting American flags and women say that if necessary they will take their guns and join the men in restoring order.

STRIKERS WILL GO IN BOX CARS WHEN EQUIPMENT COMES
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apiracy. He will probably be given a hearing this morning before United States Commissioner Seth Warren. All the leaders are being taken into custody as fast as possible and will be held on charges until the strike is won.

The Northwestern Lumber company mill will probably try to start in the morning. There are now four mills operating in this city, they being the Hoquiam Lumber and Shingle company mill, which resumed with 150 men this morning, the Eureka Cedar Lumber and Shingle company, Grays Harbor Lumber company and E. K. Wood mill.

CITIZENS OF RAYMOND TAKE ALIENS OFF CARS AND TURN THEM EAST
(Special to The Journal.)

Raymond, Wash., April 1.—Raymond citizens learning that 400 Greeks and Finns shipped out of that city Saturday

day were returning under the leadership of the Greek consul from Tacoma, met the passenger train at Willapa, four miles east of Raymond, Sunday afternoon, compelled the train to stop for 15 minutes, forced every foreigner to leave the train and started them up the road toward Chehalis again.

Protestations of the Greek consul were vain and after the matter had been explained to him, he said that Raymond authorities were not so much to blame and that the situation had been misrepresented to him by countrymen at Raymond, who declared that they had neither struck nor participated in a riot. The consul hired a special train Sunday night and took all of the Greeks with him to Tacoma.

1000 Raymondites Are Ready.
The citizens who turned back the strikers numbered about 500 men. One thousand special police are available in Raymond at present.

Every mill in Raymond is running today with nearly a full crew. The mill owners have agreed to pay no one but American laborers at the highest wages paid on the Pacific coast. Flags are flying in every part of the city and the business streets have a carnival appearance, huge flags having been draped in every windy spot.

Strikes Have Lots of Money.
Saturday 30 Finns and 40 Greeks were placed aboard special cars and sent to Chehalis, after they had been given the option of returning to work or leaving town. Sunday 69 more Greeks were shipped out. The town is in control of the police and very few foreigners remain. Some who had property that they could not move on short notice were allowed two days to get their belongings together and leave. It is estimated that the strikers driven from Raymond took with them fully \$40,000. According to bankers and others there was not a man among them but had from \$500 to \$1500 saved up from their wages during the past two years.

Greeks Keep Slaves Off Train.
There are said to be about 100 Austrians and Finns wandering along the N. P. tracks between Raymond and Puyallup, whom the Greeks would not allow to board their special train. The citizens

police will still maintain a guard on the Raymond mills and will be subject to call, pending a possible return of the trouble.

40 MEN OF NATIONAL GUARD HAVE ARMS AND EQUIPMENT ALL READY
(United Press Leased Wire.)

Tacoma, Wash., April 1.—"I have 40 picked men ready to move at an hour's notice," is the report today of Captain Hart W. Palmer of Troop B to Adjutant General Llewellyn, in response to an order for the troop to be in readiness to go to the Grays Harbor country to quell the strike of the foreign lumber workers. Palmer is superintendent of the St. Paul mill here, one of the largest in the northwest. The troop was organized 12 years ago by Major Everett G. Griggs, president of the mill company, and most of its officers have connection with the company. Two cattle cars are ready on a sidetrack, with arms, ammunition and forage, blankets and everything the cavalrymen will need.

"There will be no promiscuous firing if we are sent there," said Captain Palmer. "My men will not shoot unless it is absolutely necessary to preserve the peace."

Greeks Talk Damage Suits.
(United Press Leased Wire.)

Seattle, Wash., April 1.—Suits for damages aggregating probably over \$250,000 are to be started by the 200 striking Greek mill workers who were shipped out of Raymond, Wash., by "strong arm" methods last Saturday. The papers are being prepared today by attorneys in Seattle. The Greek minister at Washington has also been appealed to, and it is claimed that the action of the citizens of Raymond was in direct violation of treaty rights.

Three Companies Await Orders.
(United Press Leased Wire.)

Seattle, Wash., April 1.—Adjutant General Llewellyn is holding three companies of national guards ready at a moment's notice to go to Hoquiam or Aberdeen.

San Diego Wins In War On Speakers

Police Now Are Rigidly Enforcing "Move On" Law; I. W. W. Leave City.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

San Diego, Cal., April 1.—Street speaking in San Diego is at an end, at least for the present, according to all indications today. The police are rigidly enforcing the "move on" law and as soon as crowds gather on the streets they are immediately dispersed, whether inside of the "congested district" or not.

The police say that they have won their fight and that the I. W. W.'s are rapidly leaving town. A man giving the name of Daggett, who said he was an anarchist was told to leave town following the funeral of Michael Hoy, the aged I. W. W. who died after being imprisoned in the city jail. A big throng attended the funeral wearing red badges. Daggett, who carried a red flag, was taken in tow by the police, and after being questioned was warned to leave town.

Sailors from the cruiser Maryland are threatening to make trouble for the I. W. W.'s, who are said to have shown disrespect for the flag.

STEAD SAYS ENGLISH STRIKE EXPENSIVE BUT WELL WORTH MONEY
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sense, good temper and patience of the people. Foreign observers have been lost in wonder at perceiving the leaders of the opposing parties associating

together on the friendliest terms in the lobbies of the hotels.

D. A. Thomas, a Welsh mine owner, and the most able and uncompromising of the militant capitalists, is a personal friend of Vernon Harcourt, the Socialist fire-brand of the South Wales miners.

"You're going to see Harcourt?" Thomas said to me. "Give him my love. You will find him a real good fellow."

As it was with Thomas and Harcourt, so it was everywhere. In London and in the pit districts the utmost order prevailed. At Wigan the chief constable jocularly said the strike had become so orderly since the strike that he feared he would have to put his policemen on show time.

So far, although 1,000,000 men have been at play for a month, not a life has been lost. Only in two districts have soldiers been called out and in neither district did they fire a shot or display a bayonet. In districts which suffered the most from the stoppage of coal, the people bore their privations with the utmost composure. All classes have cooperated in feeding the destitute, but there has been no panic. John Burns, at the local government board, proved himself an ideal administrator.

"You have got the heaviest burden of all to bear," I said to him.

"True," he replied. "The Lancashire cotton famine was a flea bite compared with this, but my broad shoulders are strong enough to carry it."

Another gain has been the extent to which the prestige of the government and especially of Premier Asquith, has been improved by the tireless energy with which he labored for peace and resolute courage with which he insisted upon carrying out the policy he laid down from the first.

There is no doubt expressed anywhere as to the result of the miners' ballot. A minority will vote against returning to work before the rate of wages is fixed, but the majority will vote in favor of returning to work at once.

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(United Press Leased Wire.)

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Collier's attack on all headache powders, pills, tablets and effervescent drinks containing acetanilid has been of great educational value to the public, as it exposed the objectionable features of acetanilid as a heart depressant.

It was not until a California chemist of renown discovered the secret of combining grape acid, celery, soda and other ingredients that a remedy even more effective than the acetanilid compounds was found. This remedy removes the cause of headaches, gas in stomach, bloating and dyspepsia by neutralizing the over-acidity of the stomach.

This new compound is known as Cel-so and can be obtained at any first class pharmacy. It is manufactured by the Celery Soda company of San Francisco. Many physicians and druggists have endorsed Cel-so and it has had a remarkable sale on account of its thorough efficiency and its harmless qualities. It is at the same time a pleasant, effervescent, palatable drink. Any person suffering from headache or stomach trouble, heartburn or gas in the stomach should drink a glass of Cel-so at once.

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